

City of Gaithersburg Press Release

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Comment Sought on Short-Term Rentals Online Survey Available Through February 25

Gaithersburg, MD (February 12, 2019) The City of Gaithersburg is seeking feedback on Short-Term Rentals (STRs), which is the renting out of a furnished home, apartment or condominium on a weekly or nightly basis for typically fewer than 30 days. Individuals and residential communities are encouraged to fill out an online survey available here by 5 p.m., Monday, February 25, 2019.

On September 24, 2018, the Mayor & City Council and Planning Commission conducted a work session to explore the myriad of issues related to STRs, which are occurring throughout the City and are advertised on third-party sites such as Airbnb and Homeaway. The feedback of both individuals and residential communities is important as the Mayor & City Council continue to review these rentals. Note that should the City allow and regulate STRs, this does not prevent HOA / Condo Association covenants and rental leases to be more restrictive and not allow these rentals in specific neighborhoods.

Survey results will be presented to the Mayor and City Council at a Work Session at City Hall on March 25, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. For more information please contact Kevin Roman, Neighborhood Services Division Chief at 240-805-1042 or kevin.roman@gaithersburgmd.gov.

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